



A Publication of News and Events

Here in America we are descended in blood and in spirit from revolutionists and rebels - men and women who dare to dissent from accepted doctrine. As their heirs, may we never confuse honest dissent with disloyal subversion.

Dwight D. Eisenhower, 1890 - 1969

Community building is not a spectator sport.

**Bruce Adams** 

## The Index Celebrates Two Years of Monthly Publication

Over the past two years we have published *The Index* every month and grown to 6-8 pages of news from our Town Office, school, churches, youth groups, and other entities. Thanks to Ann Dorbin and Cheryl Lewis for writing, editing, and designing *The Index* each month, and to Joedy Cecil, Jeannie George, Frank Hall, Don English, and all others who help publish and distribute each issue. *The Index* is written, published, and distributed by volunteers; it is a true

labor of love. Submissions from the community are always welcome. Stay tuned and stay involved as we begin our third year.



### NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

Town Meetings and Planning Commission Meetings are open to the public. Citizens are encouraged to attend to be informed and give input. Meeting agendas are posted outside Town Hall every Friday, and items are added as requested (which can be as late as Wednesday morning) and re-posted with each change. An early agenda is posted on the Town website, but may not always include the latest changes. Stop by the Town Hall on Wednesday evenings and learn first-hand about the many happenings in our town. For more information, call the Town Clerk at 410.476.3170.

- ♦ Town Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm
- ◆ Planning Commission Meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm
- ◆ Public Hearings, Workshops and Appeals Hearings are scheduled as needed and are often held prior to the above meetings

High's Concept Plan: Representatives from High's presented a preliminary concept plan for a new store at the corner of Rt. 50 and Maple Ave, the previous site of Quidas' Garage. High's is a company-owned firm, not a franchiser, that owns 87 convenience stores, most of them in Maryland. They staff their stores with local employees. High's stores are open from 5:30 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. The proposed architectural de-



sign would feature an all-brick building with hip-style, asphalt shingle roof, including a gable. The height of the building and the height of the fuel island canopy would be roughly equal at approximately 18'. Lighting is subdued, using flush-mounted fixtures that shine downward, not onto the highway or neighboring properties. No pole-mounted lights would be installed. Other than security lighting and cameras, no bright lights would be utilized at night. A small ground-based monument type sign would be installed, approximately 8' high (the Town sign ordinance allows 15'). The Planning Commission granted conditional approval of the concept plan, subject to final

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The Commissioners reserve the right to edit or reject any item submitted.



plat approval and other various reviews and approvals, including storm water and waste water management, engineering, grading, sediment control, forest conservation,, and State Highway Administration. Town Planner, Frank Hall, requested a staff review in light of the Town's recently adopted Commercial Design Standards.

**P.E. Moore & Sons Village Redevelopment Plans:** At the request of P.E. Moore & Sons, the redevelopment plans for the property located at the corner of Main Street and Maple Avenue (across the street from Mitchum's Marketplace) were reviewed for advice and guidance on the design of parking, storm water management, and other site layout issues of the project. The plan will be reviewed again at the July meeting of the Planning Commission.

**Street Sign Update:** New street signs that were on back order have been received and installed. Although it is very dissapointing to note, that soon after these signs were installed, vandals destroyed several other town signs....

Chesapeake College Regional Media Center: This future media center will offer a new, local news cable channel via Atlantic Broadband at an initial cost to the Town of \$688 per year to be taken from the franchise fee received annually. A speaker will be invited to a future meeting to give more information.

**2005-2006 Budgets & Tax Rate:** Following workshops and a Public Hearing (at which no public comment was received), the 2005-2006 General Budget and Enterprise Fund (for water & sewer expenses) budgets were approved. Additional monies were allocated for improvements (i.e. a town park) at the water tower site. Allocation for storm water maintenance was increased to cover additional costs of cleaning storm sewers. The town tax rate will remain unchanged at .30/\$100 for real estate (property) tax which goes to the general fund and .54/\$100 for businesses, corporations, and public utilities & corporations, etc. and also goes to the general fund. All monies generated for the Enterprise Fund must come directly from water and sewer consumers and may not be mingled with the General Fund. Revisions to the 2004-2006 Budgets were also submitted with the new Budgets.

**Reorganization of Committee Personnel:** Cheryl Lewis, Danny Adams, and Don English were sworn in as newly (re)elected members of the Town Commission. Cheryl will continue as President and will also oversee administration. Danny will continue as Vice President and will oversee parks & recreation. Norm Fagel will be the Commissioner's representative on the Planning Commission, Don English will oversee public works, and Walter Chase will oversee law enforcement. Outgoing Town Commission member, Edgar Harrison, was appointed to a five-year term on the Planning Commission.

<u>Nace's Day Update:</u> The Nace's Day parade and festivities will be October 8, 2005. The parade (planned to be even bigger than last year) will be from approximately 1:00 until 2:30. A Gospel Concert will be hosted by Scotts UMC at the Old Ball Fields on Main Street from 4:00 until 8:00. And of course there will be Good Food!!

### Information from the Town Clerk:

**July 4<sup>th</sup>** Town Office Closed for Independence Day

July 29<sup>th</sup> Special Trash Pickup

The Town has just paid a contractor to clean leaves and grass debris from the streets. Please take care when mowing and clipping to not blow leaves and grass into the streets... It is unsightly, clogs the drainage system and is costly to remove.

### Ten ways to save water & lower your water bill:

- 1. Water your lawn only when it needs it. **Saves 750-1,500 gallons** per month
- 2. Fix leaky faucets and plumbing joints. **Saves 20 gallons** per day for every leak stopped.
- 3. Don't run the hose while washing your car. Use a bucket of water and a quick hose rinse at the end. **Saves 150 gallons** each time. For a two-car family that's **up to 1,200 gallons** a month.
- 4. Install water-saving shower heads or flow restrictors. **Saves 500 to 800 gallons** per month.
- 5. Run only full loads in the washing machine and dishwasher. Saves 300 to 800 gallons per month.
- 6. Shorten your showers. Even a one or two minute reduction can **save up to 700 gallons** per month.
- Use a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways and sidewalks. Saves 150 gallons or more each time. At once a
  week, that's more than 600 gallons a month.
- 8. Don't use your toilet as an ashtray or wastebasket. **Saves 400 to 600 gallons** per month.
- 9. Capture tap water. While you wait for hot water to come down the pipes, catch the flow in a watering can to use later on house plants or your garden. **Saves 200 to 300 gallons** per month.
- 10. Don't water the sidewalks, driveway or gutter. Adjust your sprinklers so that water lands on your lawn or garden where it belongs--and only there. **Saves 500 gallons** per month.





### July 20, 21, 22 & 23

The Trappe Volunteer Fire Department is holding the 5th Annual Old Fashioned Family Fun Days at the old Main Street Ballpark. Come enjoy - Parade, Amusement rides, Cake Booth, Silent Auction, Raffles, Ground Prizes, Little & Big Miss, Crafts,

Entertainment & Great Food!! See you there!!

Two raffles: 1st Prize - \$500.00 2nd Prize - \$300.00

3rd Prize - \$200.00 and a Rag Flannel Quilt donated by
the Seven Sisters Quilting Guild. Raffles will be given away Saturday
night. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

Contact Denise McDermott to purchase.

July 20th - Fair from 6:00 - 10:00 pm - Bracelet Night - Ride all the rides for one price July 21st - Fair from 6:00 - 10:00 pm - Bracelet Night - Ride all the rides for one price

July 22nd - Fair from 5:00 - 11:00 pm - Little Miss Trappe Contest at 7:00 pm - Entertainment by Steve Moody

July 23rd - Fair from 5:00 - 11:00 pm - Parade at 6:00 pm - Miss Trappe Contest at 8:00 pm

**WANTED: CAKES & CRAFTS** We are asking for donations for the following booths: craft items for a crafts booth, cakes for the cake booth (we will <u>not</u> be making individual calls this year to the community), any items for our silent auction, etc. Please contact Margaret English at 410.476.3592 to donate crafts or silent auction items. Volunteers are also needed to work at various booths, please call Lou Diefenderfer at 410-476-3882 to volunteer.

**LITTLE MISS (4-6 years) and MISS CONTEST (15-17 years) - Deadline for entry is July 1, 2005.** For additional information call Kari Diefenderfer at 410-476-3882 or Tammy Quidas at 410-820-2979.

**PARADE – Ronnie Foster 410-476-3473 – Deadline for entry is July 9, 2005** Parade will be on Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Parade time is 6:00 p.m. with parade line-up at 5:00 p.m.



# ANNOUNCING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST Sponsored by *THE INDEX*

Do you have a great photograph of a favorite scene, event, or person (past or present) in Trappe? If so, be sure to enter it in our Annual

Photo Contest. Each month, we will share the entries with our readers. At the end of the year a winner will be announced. Entries may be emailed to **trappeindex@verizon.net** or dropped off at the Town Office.

JUNE WINNER ~ Submitted by: Charles Adams

In August 1966, Cynthia Groves was the first TVFD Miss Trappe. She went on to become Miss Maryland in the Miss Delmarva Contest in October of that year.

**Disclaimer**: In submitting a photo entry, you grant *The Index* the right to use the image in Town publications. Winning photographs will be published in *The Index* and may be displayed on Town Web site. Entrants are responsible for obtaining photo-release permission from subjects shown in submitted photographs, including the permission of parents for children under age 18.



#### TRAPPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

- There will be no "Fourth Saturday Youth Group" or Thursday youth musical night during July and August.
- The Trappe UMC Yard Sale has a new name, "Martha's Closet." Stop by during the Country Church Breakfast on second and fourth Saturdays, 7-10 a.m., or any Wednesday 8:30-noon. Donations also gladly accepted children's clothes are especially needed.
- A **new women's Bible Study**, "Bad Girls of the Bible," using the book by Liz Curtis Higgs will begin on Wednesday evenings at 7:15, starting July 6. The cost of the book is approximately \$11 let Pastor Cindy know at 410 476-3384 if you would like to order one. The study will meet in the Trappe UMC parsonage at 29426 Maple Avenue in July and August. Visitors and newcomers are welcome, you can drop in any time.
- Trappe UMC Hosts **Vacation Bible School,** "Circle G Ranch" August 7 through 11, 6 to 8:30 p.m. All children, age 3 through teens, are invited. For more information: Rachel Coyne 476-4660 or call the church office at 476-3384.
- **PARENTS OF TEENS AND PRE-TEENS**: Are you the parent of someone 12-19, or expect to be one day soon? A class for parents will be held at the same time as VBS (August 7-11, 6:30-8:30) just for you. While your children are in VBS, why not share with some others who are walking on the same path and learn how you can be a more faithful parent to your teen or pre-teen. The cost will be only \$5 per family please register with Pastor Cindy by calling Trappe UMC at 410 476-3384.

The Trappe United Methodist 2005 Strawberry Festival was a huge success this year. I'd like to Thank EVERYONE that attended, donated and/or volunteered their time for making it happen. Without them, the event would not have been the success that it was. Attendance was great! The food, festivities and weather were wonderful and we raised \$1,600 for our youth programs. We are proud to announce that we will be sending six youth to Camp Pecometh this year and we're working on three more. Six first-time campers were given Bibles at church services on the 26th to take with them (courtesy of Wesley Seminary in Washington).

Blessings to All, Rose A Palombo & Nancy Dunn, Co-Chairs

Hilda Jane Groves dishing it up: Anything Strawberry, from shortcake to smoothies. Delicious!



#### INDEPENDENCE DAY . . .

Celebrating our freedom reminds us of those who are serving to protect that freedom today. Take time to show support for America's troops and their families by . . .

Giving troops a chance to call home by providing prepaid phone cards through Operation Uplink. Visit http://www.operationuplink.org/index.cfm for information on how to donate.

Honoring veterans by volunteering at a VA hospital in your area. Contact them to see how you can help.

Tie a Yellow Ribbon: To show support for our troops both at home and overseas, don't forget the yellow ribbons when you put up your red, white and blue!

Find more ideas and guidelines for flying the flag, visit www. hallmark.com and click on the "Support Our Troops" link under the Ideas section at the bottom of the page.

**BONUS QUESTION:** Can you name the original 13 colonies?? (See page 2 for answers)



# RECOGNIZE A VOLUNTEER WHO MAKES TALBOT COUNTY A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE & VISIT!

Do you know a special volunteer in Talbot County who deserves to be recognized? The Talbot County Council is pleased to again participate in the *Maryland You Are Beautiful Program*, a statewide "people pride" endeavor. All nominated volunteers will be recognized at a local ceremony in September. The person selected as Talbot County's most outstanding volunteer will be chosen to represent Talbot County at a statewide awards ceremony in Annapolis in November.

**THE DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS FRI-DAY AUGUST 12, 2005.** For more information or nomination forms, contact Karen Roberts at 410.770.8010.



The Trappe Lions Club donated \$1,000 to White Marsh Elementary School. The donation will provide books that supplement the curriculum and give students more resources for researching papers and projects. Younger students will have access to more early reader books to help expand their studies and curiosity as well. Shown are Lions Club President Ernie Fisher, WMES Principal Ginger Roupe, and Lions Club Program Chairman Ed Harrison. *Photograph courtesy of Trappe Lions Club* 



Congratulations to Kelli Dungan, who graduated from Easton High School on June 2, 2005 with a 4.0 GPA. She will attend Bucknell University in Lewisburg, PA this fall.

### Safety Tips for Fun in the Sun

### <u>DO</u>

Avoid the sun between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. when the rays are the strongest

**☆** Wear protective clothing: comfortable, long-sleeved cotton shirts and pants/cover-ups; hats with brims to cover the ears and neck

☼ Use sunscreen. It should have an SPF (sun protection factor) of 15 or higher and should be applied 30 minutes before sun exposure and reapplied every few hours

### **DON'T**

- Use tanning booths
- Use baby oil for tanning
- **☼** Fall asleep in the direct sunlight
- **☼** Stay out in the sun for prolonged periods, especially at the beginning of the summer



# July 2005

Among the natural rights of the colonists are these: first, a right to life; second, to liberty; thirdly, to property; together with the right to support and defend them in the best manner they can.

Samuel Adams, "The Rights of the Colonist." August 1776

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
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3	4 Independence Day  Office Closed	5 Bible Study Hosted By Drake & Elizabeth 29299 Maple Ave All are welcome!! SUMC 6:00 pm Men's Bible Study	6 Trappe Town Council Meeting 7:30 pm TUMC 7:15 pm Women's Bible Study	7 AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's Line Dancing W/ Steve Moody 7 - 10 pm	8 Scott's United Methodist Church Everybody's Birthday 6pm	9 Trappe UMC 7:30-10:00 am Country Church Breakfast / Yard Sale Scott's Chicken BBQ 8 am - noon		
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All Are Welcome		Bible Study	Old Fashio	on Family Fun L	Pays - See Sche	dule Below		
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SUBMISSION 31 DEADLINE June 24th, 2005 Trappeindex @verizon.net or 410-476-3910	July 20th - Fair from 6:00 - 10:00 pm - Bracelet Night - Ride all the rides for one price  July 21st - Fair from 6:00 - 10:00 pm - Bracelet Night - Ride all the rides for one price  July 22nd - Fair from 5:00 - 11:00 pm - Little Miss Trappe Contest at 7 pm - Entertainment by Steve Moody  July 23rd - Fair from 5:00 - 11:00 pm - Parade at 6:00 pm - Miss Trappe Contest at 8:00 pm							

### **Local Church/Bible Study/Programs**

Trappe United Methodist Church

Wednesday Yard Sale Open 8:30 am - Noon Wednesday Bible Study 9:00 am Wednesday 6:30 pm Worship/Communion 1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th Wednesdays 7 pm Study Thursday 7 pm Choir practice

### **Scotts United Methodist Church**

Wednesdays 11 am Young @ Heart
Wednesdays 2 pm Midday Study
Wednesdays 7 pm Evening Study
Thursday 5:30 pm Youth Praise Dept.





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### Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2004 Town of Trappe, Inc. May 20, 2005 PWSID # 0200007

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the water quality and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is two deep wells which draw from a depth of 435 feet from the Piney Point Aquifer.

We are pleased to report that our water meets currently enforceable federal and state requirements for safe drinking water.

We have a source water protection plan available from our office that provides more information such as potential sources of contamination.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Jackie Naylor, Public Works Supervisor at (410) 476-5297. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled town meetings. Council meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at the Town Hall on Powell Avenue.

The Town of Trappe routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2004. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, inorganic and organic chemicals, and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk.

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/L) - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

TEST RESULTS										
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination				
Radioactive Contaminants										
Gross Beta emitters (2001)	N	12	pCi/1	0	50	Erosion of natural deposits				
Inorganic Contaminants										
Copper (2003)	N	0.17	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives				
Fluoride (2003)	N	0.409	ppm	4.0	4.0	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories				
Nitrate	N	0.478	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits				
Nitrite (as Nitrogen) (2003)	N	.001	ppm	1	1	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits				
Volatile Organic Chemicals			•							
TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	10.43	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination				
HAA5 Haloacetic Acids	N	2.31	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination				
<b>Unregulated Contaminants</b>										
Sulfate	N	12.3	ppm	N/A	N/A	Erosion of natural deposits				
Sodium	N	53.1	ppm	N/A	N/A	Erosion of natural deposits				
pН	N	7.8	Std. Units	N/A	N/A					
Chloroform (2003)	N	4.3	ppb	N/A	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection				
Bromodichloromethane (2003)	N	1.9	ppb	N/A	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection				
Dibromochloromethane (2003)	N	0.8	ppb	N/A	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection				

Note: Test results are for calendar year 2004 unless otherwise noted. All contaminants are not required to be tested for annually.

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all currently enforceable federal and state requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some contaminants have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

The result of monitoring for regulated and unregulated contaminants that were <u>not</u> detected may be obtained by contacting the water superintendent at 410-476-5297. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. Thank you for understanding. We at The Town of Trappe, Inc. work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.